

REMARKS

Claims 128, 132, 133, 137 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b). Claims 129 to 131 and 134 to 136 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. The Applicants are appreciative of the allowance of Claims 138 to 147.

Claims 128, 133 -137, and 139 -142 have been amended. With respect to claims 134 – 137 and 139-142, these claims were simply amended to provide further clarity by correcting an error in antecedent basis. Claims 128 and 133 have been amended so that when the claimed invention has at least one base of formula (1), propenyl is no longer an available R^2 group; however when the invention is of at least one base of formula (2), propenyl still remains an available R^2 group. This amendment is supported by the specification in general, and particularly on page 17, line 8-12, which describes R^2 , preferably, as either “ C_{2-8} 1-alkenyl or 1-alkynyl or a C_{2-8} heteroaromatic group containing 5-6 ring atoms in which one ring atom is N and optionally a second ring atom is N, S or O.” Applicants have chosen R^2 to preclude C_{2-8} 1-alkenyl when the base is of formula (1). No new matter has been added.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) over Otvos et al. Should be Withdrawn

Claims 128, 132, 133 and 137 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Otvos et al. based on the alleged disclosure of (E)-5(1-alkenyl)-dUTPS. In an effort to add further clarity to the claims and to distinguish over the cited reference, the Applicants have amended claims 128 and 133 to remove propenyl as a possible R^2 group when the base is formula (1).

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection over the Otvos reference is now moot and request the withdrawal of this rejection.

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In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance. An early notice of the same is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner has any questions that could be resolved in a teleconference, the Examiner may contact the undersigned attorney at (215) 564-8970.

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